

Future foundations for giving

Draft report

I commend the government for setting up the philanthropy inquiry.

If the result is more consistency in the allocation of DGR status to charities then that would be a worthwhile outcome.

I am concerned, however, that removing existing DGR status from some entities will have them struggling for funds, especially regarding the provision of religious education in public schools.

Religious Education in government schools is such an important initiative, it has proven (and well-researched) wellbeing benefits and is vital for promoting social cohesion.

Please consider allowing DGR status to be retained by this worthwhile category.

Thank you